

Notes for the Replication File

Software

- 1) We use STATA 18 to conduct main analysis.
- 2) For the list experiment-related results, we use R to conduct the analysis. The R scripts “Data_analysis” replicate the results for the list experiments.

Working Directory

- 1) The folder “data” is set as the working directory.
- 2) The folder “data” contains all datasets used in this study.
- 3) The folder “code” contains all replication code for the tables and figures presented in the study. The file “Mainresult.do” includes code for the main results reported in the draft, and “Appendix.do” generates the tables and figures in the appendix.
- 4) The “mi” folder within the “code” folder contains the *miest* package used in the analysis. Users may copy *miest.ado*, *miest.hlp*, *misum.ado*, and *misum.hlp* to their personal ado directory.

Data accessibility

Our analysis relies on proprietary datasets (CFPS and CHFS) that are accessible only through formal application processes. Due to these restrictions, we are not permitted to publicly disclose the datasets. We provide links and instructions for requesting access to these data sources.

1) China Family Panel Studies (CFPS)

We use CFPS 2014 and 2016 in our analysis. Parts of our results involve prefecture-level information. Users can visit the Peking University Open Research Data platform to register, apply for access, and download the dataset:

<https://opendata.pku.edu.cn/dataset.xhtml?persistentId=doi:10.18170/DVN/45LC5O>

If users intend to use the prefecture- or county-level information in the dataset, they must follow the guidelines for applying for restricted data and conduct their analysis on computers at the

Data Center: <https://www.issp.pku.edu.cn/cfps/en/data/restricted/index.htm?CSRFT=PCC2-QFMU-AFEK-UYHY-8S1D-GPSY-14YN-OMJJ>

2) China Household Finance Survey (CHFS)

We use CHFS 2015 in our analysis. Users can visit the following website to register and request access to the dataset: <https://chfs.swufe.edu.cn/sjzx/sjsq.htm#>

3) Other Datasets

To improve the generalizability of the study, we also replicate three studies in other institutional settings. Specifically, in Tables A11–A13, we replicate findings from three published papers and compare the results from list experiments with those from direct questions. The following are the detailed data sources:

Table A11 replicates Nicholson and Huang (2023). The dataset “trust_dat_cy_p.csv” was obtained from: <https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/KAHHWQ>.

Table A12 replicates Traunmüller, Kijewski, and Freitag (2019). The dataset “replication_data_silent_victims.csv” was obtained from: <https://doi.org/10.1177/0022002719828053>.

Table A13 replicates Gonzalez-Ocantos et al. (2020). The dataset “Guatemala_data.csv” was obtained from: <https://www.prio.org/journals/jpr/replicationdata>.

Tables for List Experiment

The following tables in the Appendix were generated using R. All relevant code is included in the file titled “Data_analysis.R” in the “code” folder.

- 1) Columns (1) and (2) in Table A5, Columns (1) and (2) in Table A9, and Columns (1) and (2) in Table A10 report the estimation results of the list experiment using CHFS 2015 data. These analyses are conducted in R.

- 2) In Section K of the Appendix, Table A11, Table A12, and Table A13 present our replication of existing studies that employ the list experiment approach. These analyses are also conducted in R. The datasets used were obtained from the authors' replication files, and their data sources are listed in the section above.